

TO: Telecommunication Coordinators

FROM: W.M. Vetter, Manager
Bureau of Communication and Computer Services

DATE: September 2, 1998

RE: Cellular Rates & Service

The following rate reductions for Ameritech cellular service went into effect July 1, 1998.

Ameritech Region I	Existing Rate	New Rate
Monthly Access	\$10.50	\$9.65
Airtime Per Minute Usage	21¢	19.8¢

Effective with this rate reduction, roaming and local toll charges for Ameritech service will now be billed at 10% above actual cost. In the past, actual costs were passed through to the customer.

We are also pleased to announce that Ameritech Clearpath **Digital** Service is now available in the Chicago area. Digital service will typically provide a much quieter connection and is considered to be much more difficult to "eaves drop." The new service is available through either a basic or enhanced service offering. The cost for each service offering is listed below.

Basic Digital Service

Monthly Access	\$9.65
Airtime Per Minute Usage	19.8¢

Enhanced Digital Services

Monthly Access	\$20.65
Airtime Per Minute Usage	19.8¢

Features:

- Numeric Messaging
- Voice Mail with Message Waiting Indicator
- Call Waiting
- Call Forwarding
- Three Way Calling
- No Answer/Busy Transfer
- Detailed Billing

Features:

- All of the Basic Features, plus
- Enhanced Voice Mail with Message Waiting Indicator
- Voice Activated Dialing
- Text Messaging
- Caller ID

Agencies interested in subscribing to digital service will need to purchase digital phones through CMS. The following phones are currently available for purchase.

	Approximate Price
• Nokia 2180	\$163.90*
• Qualcomm 820	\$185.90*
• Sony CM-M1300	\$196.90*

****Pricing subject to change due to market fluctuation.***

Attached is a brochure detailing service features. Informational meetings regarding digital service will be conducted in Chicago and Springfield on the following dates and times. Please call the appropriate number listed below to register to attend one of the sessions.

September 17, 1998

1:30 p.m.

JRTC

100 West Randolph

Chicago, Illinois

Registration (312) 400-0673

September 18, 1998

9:30 a.m.

JRTC

100 West Randolph

Chicago, Illinois

Registration (312) 400-0673

September 22, 1998

10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Communication Center

120 West Jefferson

Springfield, Illinois

Registration (217) 622-0281

Please contact Betty Russell (217) 785-4441 or Tracie Cook (217) 557-3304 if you have questions.